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| | | 16. Mali |
| | | 17. Mexico |
| | | 18. Mozambique |
| | | 19. Nepal |
| | | 20. Netherland |
| | | 21. New Zealand |
| | | 22. Nigeria |
| | | 23. Oman |
| | | 24. Peru |
| | | 25. Singapore |
| | | 26. Sri Lanka |
| | | 27. Switzerland |
| | | 28. Syria |
| | | 29. Tanzania RE |
| | | 30. Thailand |
| | | 31. Turkey |
| | | 32. U. Arab EMTS |
| | | 33. U. S. A. |
| | | 34. Vietnam SOREP |
| | | 35. Yugoslavia |
| | | 36. Malaysia |

NOTE: Data on countries to which imports/exports were made during 1987-88 is not yet available.

**Total Production of Cloth by Handlooms and Powerlooms**

964. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) total production of cloth by handlooms and powerlooms in the country during the last three years;

(b) whether there has been any decrease in the production of cloth by these sectors; and

(c) what are the details of steps taken by the Government to increase production of cloth by these sectors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) and (b) There is no decrease in the production of handloom and powerloom cloth. The total estimated production of cloth by handlooms and powerlooms in the country

during the last three years is given below:—

(in million metres)

| Year | Total production of cloth by | |
|---|---|---|
| | Handlooms | Powerlooms |
| 1985-86 . . | 3692 | 5886 |
| 1986-87 . . | 3884 | 6222 |
| 1987-88 . . | 3948 | 6457 |

(c) Government have taken various steps to ensure availability of yarn to the handloom and powerloom sectors at reasonable prices and are also providing several incentives to boost exports of handloom and powerloom products. In the case of the handloom sector, the following schemes are in operation which directly and indirectly increase the production of handloom cloth :—

(i) Share capital assistance to handloom weavers to enrol themselves as members of cooperative societies;

(ii) Assistance for modernisation of looms;

(iii) Financial assistance to State Handloom Development Corporations and Handloom Cooperative Societies for setting up pre-loom and post-loom processing facilities;

(iv) Market Development Assistance Scheme which has replaced the erstwhile schemes of Special Rebate, Share capital assistance to State Apex Cooperative Societies and State Handloom Development Corporations and Managerial subsidy to primary societies.

(v) Janata Cloth Scheme;

(vi) Enforcement of the Handloom (Reservation of Articles for Production) Act, 1985 under which certain items of textiles (under 22 headings) have been reserved for exclusive production by handloom sector;

(vii) Providing training, service and research to the handloom sector through a net work of 23 Weavers' Service Centres/Sub-Centres and 3 Institutes of Handloom Technology; and

(viii) Thrift Fund Scheme and Workshed-cum-Housing Scheme.

Financial assistance under various schemes is provided to all the States on the basis of the proposals received from concerned State Governments every year.

**Water Requirements of Various States**

965. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has been conducted to determine the water requirements of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh and West Bengal;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, by when a survey to this effect is likely to be conducted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) The Government of Madhya Pradesh and West Bengal have assessed their water requirements as 15.8 million hectare metre and 11 m. ha. metre respectively. The State of Uttar Pradesh has prepared a perspective plan for development of irrigation upto 2000 A.D. Bihar has set up an organisation for this purpose.

**Revival of Sick Units through BIFR**

966. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total amount sanctioned by the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction since its creation